

House Resolution No. 2666

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during his sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Joe King of Grant City, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of his Eightieth Birthday with a special celebration on April 20, 2003, in Allendale; and

Whereas, on April 26, 1923, God brought a special gift to this great nation with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Joe, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, an individual who has lived during an era of incredible progress, Joe King was born the same year that "King" Oliver's Creole Jazz Band was the first black band to be recorded, Briton Hadden and Henry R. Luce founded the weekly newsmagazine Time, and President Warren G. Harding died and Calvin Coolidge was inaugurated as the thirtieth president of the United States; and

Whereas, Joe King has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Kathryn McCarty King; his children, Linda Brown, Betty McCafe, Connie Sonders, Peggy Schoennman, Mary Nurski, and Ron King; fifteen grandchildren; and twenty-six great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, known as a quiet man, Joe King provided a comfortable home and secure future for his loved ones through his successful endeavors as a farmer; and

Whereas, a member of the United Brethren Church, Joe King is extremely grateful for the countless blessings he has received throughout the course of his long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Joe King at this significant milestone and in wishing him peace and contentment as he continues to enjoy his golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri octogenarian Joe King.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2666, adopted May 8, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker